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TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, AGR, CE

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR PL-480 WHEAT FLOUR; DEVELOPMENT LOAN

REF: COLOMBO 1928

1. YOU NOW SHOULD BE UP TO DATE FROM RECENT LETTERS AND CABLES REGARDING THE BLEAK OUTLOOK FOR PL-480. IT NOW APPEARS DOUBTFUL WE WILL HAVE FURTHER INDICATIONS OF PL-480 AVAILABILITY UNTIL MID-SEPTEMBER. THE ONLY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WE CAN ADD FROM THIS END IS CEYLONese COUNSELOR DE ALWIS' INFORMATION TO DEPTOFFS AUG 9 THAT CEYLONese HAD ENTERED COMMERCIAL GRAIN MARKET IN FRANCE FOR DOLLAR TWO POINT FIVE MILLION. APPRENTLY THEY LOST THE DEAL,  
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HOWEVER, WHEN THE COMMON MARKET WHEAT EXPORT EMBARGO

WAS APPLIED. IN ANY CASE, THE EFFORT UNDERSCORES YOUR REPORTING OF DEEP CEYLONese CONCERN OVER FOOD SHORTAGES. DESPITE NECESSARILY PESSIMISTIC WARNINGS TO CEYLONese RE PL-480 AVAILABILITY WE REMAIN CONVINCED THEIR CRITICAL NEED AND CONSCIOUS OUR EARLIER COMMITMENT TO THEM. WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK ON PROBLEM.

2. REGARDING LOAN QUESTION, WE ARE PREPARED TO LOOK AT AN AGRICULTURAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT LOAN BUT TWO FACTORS WOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENT THIS YEAR DIFFICULT. THESE FACTORS ARE (A) FUND STRINGENCY AND (B) TIME NEEDED TO DEVELOP AND CONSIDER A LOAN. IN ANY EVENT, ASIA BUREAU PLANS PUT FORWARD DL REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION IN FY 1975 BUDGET REVIEW.

3. WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED AS SITUATION DEVELOPS.

4. DECONTROL FOLLOWING JANUARY 1, 1974. ROGERS

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